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From: Ragland, Micah
Sent: Thur 7/21/2016 8:16:15 PM
Subject: RE: Your Statements Made and Prior Call with the Sierra Club & Others

Hey Scott, I am free to speak via phone tomorrow or on Monday. Let me know your availability and we can work to connect. Nancy and Mark will join the call as well.

From: Scott Smith [mailto:ssmith@waterdefense.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 20, 2016 8:03 PM
To: Ragland, Micah <Ragland.Micah@epa.gov>
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Subject: Your Statements Made and Prior Call with the Sierra Club & Others
Importance: High

Michah,

The purpose of this e-mail is to give you the opportunity to clarify some things and retract statements made by you that I am told by direct witnesses are effectively character assassination and slander.

I understand from direct witnesses that they were horrified at the statements you made related to me and/or Water Defense and/or others involved with Water Defense. I understand that you were unable to back up any of your statements with facts as requested by a few of the witnesses.

I want to be clear that the purpose of this e-mail is to resolve this and give you the opportunity to tell the truth which there is no doubt in my mind that you will do. I am going to operate under the assumption that you were misinformed, made a mistake, and there is nothing that we can't fix here.

Please note that we have a partnership with UA Plumbers and Pipefitters and I have copied Ben Ranger on this e-mail. I am sure you can understand the nature of the statements you made and the potential damage that can be done to our relationships with the UA and the Sierra Club and others.

Nancy,

My expectation is that we will have a conference call as soon as possible with all on this e-mail to work this out in a professional way and avoid any escalation.

Best Regards,

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